

# Memorandum



Date: June 7, 2016

To: Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime  
and Honorable Members, Board of County Commissioners

Agenda Item No. 6(B)(1)

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From: Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan  
Chairwoman, Metropolitan Services Committee

Subject: Committee Report of the Metropolitan Services Committee on Item 1G2  
regarding Tow Rate Increases for Police Directed Tows

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At the May 11, 2016 Metropolitan Services Committee Meeting, Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz offered an amendment to Item 1G2 titled:

ORDINANCE RELATED TO TOWING, RECOVERY, STORAGE AND IMMOBILIZATION OF VEHICLES WITHOUT CONSENT; AMENDING SECTION 30-461 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; AMENDING SECTION 30-476 OF THE CODE; PROVIDING THAT MAXIMUM RATES FOR TOWING, RECOVERY, STORAGE AND IMMOBILIZATION WITHOUT CONSENT CAN BE ESTABLISHED BY ORDINANCE; ESTABLISHING REVISED MAXIMUM RATES FOR TOWING, RECOVERY AND STORAGE OF VEHICLES AT THE REQUEST OF PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNERS AND POLICE AGENCIES, AS WELL AS ALL OTHER TOWS WITHOUT PRIOR CONSENT OF THE VEHICLE OWNER OR A DULY AUTHORIZED DRIVER; INCORPORATING EXISTING IMMOBILIZATION RATES INTO THE CODE; RESCINDING RESOLUTION NOS. R-694-99, R-853-03 AND R-621-08; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Commissioner Diaz proposed to amend the item to provide for future rate increases based on a Consumer Price Index. At the request of the sponsor, the Committee approved the item without amendment and requested that the administration provide supplemental information to the full Board for consideration at the June 7, 2016 meeting. The supplemental information prepared by the Office of Consumer Protection, Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources, Business Affairs Division, in response to the Committee's request is attached.

Bureau of Labor Statistics

**Consumer Price Index - All Urban Consumers**  
**Original Data Value**

Series Id: CUURA320SA0,CUUSA320SA0

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Area: Miami-Fort Lauderdale, FL

Item: All items

Base Period: 1982-84=100

Years: 2006 to 2016

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Annual	%Annual Change
2006		202.2		203.8		203.8		205.6		204.8		205.4	203.9	
2007		207.989		210.904		212.820		213.127		215.159		217.319	212.390	4.2%
2008		219.082		221.324		225.079		225.473		223.699		218.324	222.119	4.6%
2009		220.589		220.740		221.485		221.306		222.416		222.943	221.387	-0.3%
2010		222.505		222.625		222.390		222.803		223.631		224.907	223.062	0.8%
2011		227.451		231.503		231.197		232.749		232.141		231.794	230.851	3.5%
2012		234.043		236.095		233.991		236.110		236.793		235.023	235.207	1.9%
2013		238.524		238.124		237.815		237.438		238.858		239.417	238.179	1.3%
2014		242.268		244.073		243.428		243.124		244.130		242.676	243.147	2.1%
2015		243.283		245.195		246.245		246.348		246.789		246.597	245.419	0.9%
2016		247.126												

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

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POLICE DIRECTED TOW RATES

FORECASTED RATE CHANGE USING HISTORICAL CPI-U MIAMI-FORT LAUDERDALE, FL ANNUAL CHANGE

	2016 proposed	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
	Rates in Item 153014 set for second reading on June 7, 2016 (Commissioner Heyman's Item for Increase in Police Directed Tows)	Projected Rate Increase from the rates in Item 153014, commensurate with 3.8% increase from 2014 CPI ALL Urban Consumers not seasonally adjusted, for the Miami-Fort Lauderdale area, All Items	Projected Rate Increase from the rates in Item 153014, commensurate with 1.9% increase from 2012 CPI ALL Urban Consumers not seasonally adjusted, for the Miami-Fort Lauderdale area, All Items	Projected Rate Increase from the rates in Item 153014, commensurate with 1.8% increase from 2013 CPI ALL Urban Consumers not seasonally adjusted, for the Miami-Fort Lauderdale area, All Items	Projected Rate Increase from the rates in Item 153014, commensurate with 2.1% increase from 2014 CPI ALL Urban Consumers not seasonally adjusted, for the Miami-Fort Lauderdale area, All Items	Projected Rate Increase from the rates in Item 153014, commensurate with 0.9% increase from 2013 CPI ALL Urban Consumers not seasonally adjusted, for the Miami-Fort Lauderdale area, All Items
<b>CLASS A VEHICLES</b>						
Tow Rate (Hook up)	\$ 116.00	\$ 120.06	\$ 122.34	\$ 123.93	\$ 126.53	\$ 127.67
Mileage Rate	\$ 3.45	\$ 3.57	\$ 3.64	\$ 3.69	\$ 3.76	\$ 3.80
Labour Rate (1/4 Hour)	\$ 29.00	\$ 30.02	\$ 30.59	\$ 30.98	\$ 31.63	\$ 31.92
Inside Storage	\$ 31.00	\$ 32.09	\$ 32.69	\$ 33.12	\$ 33.82	\$ 34.12
Outside Storage	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.88	\$ 26.37	\$ 26.71	\$ 27.27	\$ 27.52
<b>CLASS B VEHICLES</b>						
Tow Rate (Hook up)	\$ 190.00	\$ 196.65	\$ 200.39	\$ 202.99	\$ 207.25	\$ 209.12
Mileage Rate	\$ 4.00	\$ 4.14	\$ 4.22	\$ 4.27	\$ 4.36	\$ 4.40
Labour Rate (1/4 Hour)	\$ 47.50	\$ 49.16	\$ 50.10	\$ 50.75	\$ 51.81	\$ 52.28
Inside Storage	\$ 31.00	\$ 32.09	\$ 32.69	\$ 33.12	\$ 33.82	\$ 34.12
Outside Storage	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.88	\$ 26.37	\$ 26.71	\$ 27.27	\$ 27.52
<b>CLASS C VEHICLES</b>						
Tow Rate (Hook up)	\$ 270.00	\$ 279.45	\$ 284.76	\$ 288.46	\$ 294.52	\$ 297.17
Mileage Rate	\$ 5.18	\$ 5.36	\$ 5.46	\$ 5.53	\$ 5.65	\$ 5.70
Labour Rate (1/4 Hour)	\$ 67.50	\$ 69.86	\$ 71.19	\$ 72.12	\$ 73.63	\$ 74.29
Inside Storage	\$ 50.00	\$ 51.75	\$ 52.73	\$ 53.42	\$ 54.54	\$ 55.03
Outside Storage	\$ 44.00	\$ 45.54	\$ 46.41	\$ 47.01	\$ 48.00	\$ 48.43
<b>CLASS D VEHICLES</b>						
Tow Rate (Hook up)	\$ 345.00	\$ 357.08	\$ 363.86	\$ 368.59	\$ 376.33	\$ 379.72
Mileage Rate	\$ 6.33	\$ 6.55	\$ 6.68	\$ 6.76	\$ 6.90	\$ 6.97
Labour Rate (1/4 Hour)	\$ 86.25	\$ 89.27	\$ 90.96	\$ 92.15	\$ 94.08	\$ 94.93
Inside Storage	\$ 50.00	\$ 51.75	\$ 52.73	\$ 53.42	\$ 54.54	\$ 55.03
Outside Storage	\$ 44.00	\$ 45.54	\$ 46.41	\$ 47.01	\$ 48.00	\$ 48.43
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE FEE</b>	\$ 35.00	\$ 36.23	\$ 36.91	\$ 37.39	\$ 38.18	\$ 38.52
<b>DOLLIES</b>	\$ 40.00	\$ 41.40	\$ 42.19	\$ 42.74	\$ 43.63	\$ 44.03
<b>LOWBOY SERVICES</b>						
Tow Rate (Hook up)	\$ 270.00	\$ 279.45	\$ 284.76	\$ 288.46	\$ 294.52	\$ 297.17
Mileage Rate	\$ 5.18	\$ 5.36	\$ 5.46	\$ 5.53	\$ 5.65	\$ 5.70
Labour Rate (1/4 Hour)	\$ 67.50	\$ 69.86	\$ 71.19	\$ 72.12	\$ 73.63	\$ 74.29
<b>UNDERWATER RECOVERY SALVAGE DIVERS</b>						
1st Hour per Diver	\$ 143.75	\$ 148.78	\$ 151.61	\$ 153.58	\$ 156.80	\$ 158.22
Additional 1/4 Hour	\$ 36.25	\$ 37.52	\$ 38.23	\$ 38.73	\$ 39.54	\$ 39.90

<b>Municipality</b>	<b>Effective Date of Provision</b>	<b>Increase Type</b>	<b>Bureau of Labor Statistics Designation</b>	<b>Occurrence</b>
Broward County	10/1/2015	Lesser of CPI or 3%	Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers US City Average	Annual
Brevard County	7/29/2008	Lesser of CPI or 3%	Not designated	Annual
Palm Beach County	3/1/2007	CPI	All Urban Consumers South Region or Miami-Fort Lauderdale	Annual*
St. Lucie County	11/6/2007**	CPI	All Urban Consumers US City Average	Annual
City of Miami Beach	12/1/2012	CPI	All Urban Consumers US City Average	City Manager's Discretion***
City of Palm Bay	7/17/2014	Lesser of CPI or 3%	Not designated	Annual

\* Annual thru 03/01/2013

\*\* Adjustments to wrecker service fees effective first Monday in October of each calendar year

\*\*\* Whenever the cumulative change in the CPI between the current CPI and the date of the CPI used to establish the last rate adjustment, is greater than 5%